

REMARKS

The office action dated May 23, 2007 (the "Office Action") has been received and noted. Claims 10-14, 16, and 30-43 were examined. Claims 10-14, 16 and 35-41 were allowed. Claims 30-34, 42 and 43 were rejected. Claims 30-34, 42 and 43 are cancelled. Claims 10-14, 16, and 35-41 remain in the application.

I. Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 30-34, 42 and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,121,689 to Capote et al. ("*Capote*") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,763,498 to Knaus ("*Knaus*"). Applicants have cancelled claims 30-34, 42 and 43, rendering this rejection moot.

II. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants acknowledge and appreciate the Examiner's allowance of claims 10-14, 16 and 35-41.


CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 500-4787.

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